Ronald J. Skocypec, Esq., Bar No.: 072690 Melodee A. Yee, Esq., Bar No.: 168541 PETERSON & BRADFORD, LLP 100 North First Street, Suite 300 Burbank, CA 91502 818.562.5800 818.562.5810 - Facsimile 6 Attorneys for Defendant LIBERTY MUTUAL INSURANCE COMPANY 7 IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT 8 9 FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA 10 SAN FRANCISCO DIVISION 11 Liberty Mutual Insurance Company, 12 Plaintiff, 13 14 VS. 15 Michael T. Blatt. 16 Defendant. 17

Case No.: C 06 2022 SC

LIBERTY MUTUAL INSURANCE **COMPANY'S STATUS** CONFERENCE STATEMENT

DATE: September 8, 2006

TIME: 10:00 A.M.

DEPT.: Ctrm 1, 17th Floor

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Plaintiff Liberty Mutual Insurance Company ("Liberty") respectfully submits the following status conference statement in the above referenced action:

1. Liberty's complaint in this action was filed on or about March 16, 2006. Defendant Michael Blatt was served pursuant to Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 4(e)(2) on April 3, 2006.

2. Defendant failed to make an appearance within the time period required and default was entered against this defendant on May 3, 2006. Liberty filed its

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application for default judgment by court on or about July 19, 2006.

- 3. Prior to the hearing on Liberty's application for default judgment, attorney Ronald Foreman, Esq., representing defendant Blatt, contacted counsel for Liberty and asserted that service on defendant was improper and that defendant never received notice of the action.
- In light of this assertion, and to avoid additional expenses relating to the 4. issue of service, Liberty agreed to and has withdrawn its application for default judgment.
 - 5. Liberty therefore respectfully requests that:
 - this matter be placed back on active calendar; a.
 - b. the entry of default against defendant Blatt be vacated to allow defendant the opportunity to appear and defend this matter; and
 - an initial case management conference be set and dates for initial disclosures, etc. be ordered.
- 6. Liberty believes that the issues in this action, which relate to insurance coverage, may be resolved by way of dispositive motions and anticipates converting its application for default judgment to a motion for summary judgment or partial summary judgment pursuant to Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 56.

A courtesy copy of this status conference statement will be provided to him as counsel for defendant in advance of the status conference.

DATED: September 1, 2006

PETERSON & BRADFORD

By:

Ronald J. Skodypec, Esq. Melodee A. Yee, Esq. Attorneys for Plaintiff

LIBERTY MUTUAL INSURANCE CO.

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STATE OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

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I am employed in the County of Los Angeles, State of California. I am over the age of 18 and not a party to the within action; my business address is 100 North First Street, Suite 300, Burbank, California 91502.

On September 1, 2006, I served the foregoing document described as:

LIBERTY MUTUAL INSURANCE COMPANY'S STATUS CONFERENCE STATEMENT

on interested parties in this action by placing a true and correct copy thereof enclosed in

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